



Saint Clare of Assisi



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1st Sunday of Advent (Year A) — 30th Nov 2025

If you wish to make a donation — Sort Code: 30-15-52, Account Number: 54579560

Readings

Isaiah 2:1-5

Ps 122(121):1-2. 3-4a. 8-9. R cf. 1

Romans 13:11-14a

Matthew 24:37-44

The month of November is dedicated to The Holy Souls

Masses & Services

	4.30pm	Adoration
Sat	5.30pm	Confession
29	5.30pm	Rosary & Litany
	6.00pm	Mass: Pat Farrelly
<i>1st Sunday of Advent</i>		
Sun	9.00am	Confession
30	9.00am	Rosary & Litany
	9.30am	Mass: People of the Parish
Mon	Note	No Mass
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Tue	7.00pm	Mass: The Conlan Family RIP
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<i>St Francis Xavier, P</i>		
Wed	9.00am	Rosary & Litany
3	9.30am	Mass: Children and Grandchildren of the Sawyer Family
Thu	5.30pm	Adoration
4	6.00pm	Rosary & Litany
	6.30pm	Mass: Hugh O'Hare RIP
	Note	Day of abstinence from meat
Fri	9.00am	Rosary & Litany
5	9.30am	Mass: Bygmunt Weselak
	4.30pm	Adoration
Sat	5.30pm	Rosary & Litany
6	5.30pm	Confession
	6.00pm	Mass: Pat Farrelly R.I.P
<i>2nd Sunday of Advent</i>		
Sun	9.00am	Confession
7	9.00am	Rosary & Litany
	9.30am	Mass: People of the Parish

Please Pray for the Sick, Elderly, and House-bound

Including: Rosemary Roberts, Judy Kearney, Veronica Creaney, Geoffrey Prendergast, Cynthia Lloyd, Alan

Challinor, Jenny Jarvis, Margaret Russell, Rob Davies, Andrea Burns, and Tricia Cannon.

If anyone is in need of a visit or Holy Communion, please let Fr Patrick know.

Christmas Masses

Wed	<i>Christmas Eve</i>	
24	4.00pm	Mass
	8.00pm	Mass
Thu	<i>Christmas Day</i>	
25	10.00am	Mass

Anniversaries

Lil McLoughlin, Thomas Harmer, Bart Bradshaw, Percy Kelly, Marie Howard, Rosemary Prendergast, Rose Kilshaw, Ruby Eileen Donnelly, Rose Hewitt, Mary Kay, Mary McBride, Annie Trimble, Agnes Malone, Annina Florio, Mrs Hamer, Edward Mooney, Florence Walsh, Elizabeth Nicholas, Edith Walsh, Sheila Nicholas, John Farrell, Nellie Fox, Edward Cartwright, Dan Bonnar, Denis McCarthy, Erica Finn, Arthur Adams, Mark Gentile, Zoe Hill, Barry Scholfield, Kenneth Jones, Dorothy Shoosmith, Richard Brown, Alan Wyatt, Paolo Florio, Frank Cany, Mary Tasker, Dominic Smith, Winifred Shalloe.

May They Rest In Peace

Message from Fr Patrick

On the 8th of December, feast of the Immaculate conception of Our Lady, we will be celebrating 65 years of St Clares! To mark this wonderful occasion, we can think and be thankful of all the good that Christ the Lord has dispensed in grace to souls over these decades; Masses, confessions, baptism, marriages and so many answers to prayers. And of course, we seek to pray and build up the Parish for the future!

As part of our celebration please feel free to join in the novena of prayer asking Our Lady to intercede for us. Rosary at 6:30 pm and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 7pm on the 8th of December (Monday) at which our new Dean of Chester Monsignor David Charters will preach as well as the attendance of the community of friars from our Mother Church of St Francis. Joseph has very kindly agreed to be the organist.

There will be hot chocolate to celebrate afterwards. I had a chat over the Summer with a very kind lady who is regularly at Mass and she said that back when she

was a child she did some fundraising and managed to buy a few bricks to build our Church, and she is here all these years later after life's ups and downs worshipping the True God. What a wonderful witness to the Faith! Let us also of course seek to build up the Kingdom of God and to build up those around us.

St Clare's SVP

We ran a very successful raffle at the 2 performances of the Chester CHS Production of Mary Poppins. The proceeds will go to the Holiday Home funds. The next Holiday Home event will be the Theatre Night on Wed 4th March. The production is "Shakespeare in Love". Tickets will be available in the New Year. Do let us know of anyone in need and we will help where we can. God bless. Steve

Tea & Coffee after Sunday 9.30 Mass

This week its Steve with proceeds to the Homeless and next week its Jenny & Reta with proceeds to the Church Gardening group.

Tea & Coffee after Wednesday 9.30 Mass

Volunteers are sought to help with the tea and coffee after Wed Mass. Please see Father Patrick for details.

Red Mission Boxes

Tony Austin asks Red Mission Box holders to bring their boxes to the church for emptying. Please ensure that your name is on the label attached to the bottom of the box. Many thanks

Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality

There will be midday Mass at St Mary's Crewe on 8th December to celebrate the feast of the Immaculate Conception. Refreshments will be available after Mass, everyone is welcome.

Christmas Flowers Collection

Please note that a collection to provide flowers in Church over the Christmas season will be held at each Mass next weekend.

Thank you for supporting CAFOD's Family Fast Day!

Thank you so much for your generous contributions to CAFOD's Family Fast Day Appeal. Your donations in our parish collection and online are helping families like Waré's in Ethiopia. CAFOD's local partners worked with Waré's community to build an underground water tank that now provides safe water for 300 families. Your support this Harvest will help more communities gain better access to safe water. You can read more about Waré's story here: cafod.org.uk/harvest

The Catholic High School Christmas Fair & Carol Service

Tuesday 16th December, 4pm to 6pm in the school Hall. Entry fee is £1 and all welcome! Santa's Grotto, stalls, amazing food and music. Please come support this event! After the Christmas Fair, there will be a Carol Service in the Lyceum (6th Form building) at 6:30pm. Enjoy mince pies and a glass of wine at the interval before a final blast of Christmas songs and dance!

Calendars Supporting the Alma Mater Fund

Proceeds from the Calendar sales go to the Alma Mater Fund, providing support, grants, and advice to pregnant students. With the right support, a woman can achieve the best for herself and her child.

All the information is inside the Calendar. If you wish, you may make a donation, which will be greatly appreciated.

Sunday Music

O come O come Emmanuel! 112

Readings page 6 Missal book

Psalm: Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Alleluia (the same tone as first hymn)

Offertory: Creator of the Stars of Night 87

(Sung preface)

Holy Holy (blue Missal book page 1132)

Lamb (blue Missal book page 1133)

Post-communion: The King shall come when morning comes 106

Novena Prayer & final blessing

Recessional Lo! he comes with clouds descending 109